1 2	3	4	5
3. Assam	12074	13139	8.8
4. Bihar	6015	6213	3.3
5. Jharkhand	9955	NA	NA
6. Goa	52277	NA	NA
7. Gujarat	22838	26979	18.1
8^ Haryana	26974	29963	11.1
S. Himachal Pradesh	22576	NA	NA
10. Jammu and Kashmir	NA	NA	NA
11. Karnataka	18521	NA	NA
12. Kerala	21853	24053	10.1
13. Madhya Pradesh	11483	14011	22.0
14. Chhattisgarh	11893	NA	NA
15. Maharashtra	26113	28414	8.8
16. Manipur	13658	14766	8.1
17. ^Meghalaya	15983	NA	NA
18. Mizoram	NA	NA	NA
19. Nagaland	NA	NA	NA
20. Orissa	10340	11858	14.7
21. Punjab	26032	27851	7.0
22. Rajasthan	12753	14748	15.6
23. Sikkim	20456	.21586	5.5
24. Tamil Nadu	21433	23476	9.5
25. Tripura	NA	NA	NA
26. UttarPradesh	10289	NA	NA
27. Utaranchal	NA	NA	NA
28. West Bengal	18756	NA	NA

Notes: NA: Not available

Fiscal Health of States

443. SHRI JESUDASU SEELAM: DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Wilt the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

' (a) whether Prime Minister being concerned over the dismal fiscal health of the States had convened a meeting of the Planning Commission in the month of June to discuss ways of assisting States in tiding over financial crisis;

(b) if so, whether the full Planning Commission met in the month of June to discuss the issue of State Finance Ministers and has decided to consider bilateral ways to assist States; and

(c) if so,the major discussions and to what extent the Planning Commission has come to the conclusion of helping States finances?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN): (a) A meeting of the Full Planning Commission was held on 5th April, 2005. However, the issue of fiscal health of States was not discussed.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Private Sector in infrastructure Sector

444. SHRI GIREESH KUMAR SANGHI:

DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Planning Commission had decided to prepare a discussion paper on improving regulatory mechanism and setting up new regulators where they do not exist but are needed;

«. (b) if so, whether the Prime Minister has urged the Planning Commission to prepare such a paper, as the Prime Minister is of the view that a proper regulatory regime would unable greater participation of the private sector, especially in infrastructure sector; and

(c) if so, whether Planning Commission has already started discussing and preparing the paper for a regulatory regime?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN): (a) to (c) Pursuant to the NCMP and the directions of the Prime Minister, Planning Commission is preparing a discussion paper for improving the regulatory regime to enable greater investment, particularly from the private sector, on a competitive basis. The proposed paper would also be discussed with stakeholders and experts with a view to evolving consensus.